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This communication responds to Applicant's Request for Correction of Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a), filed June 2, 2006.

The Request is DENIED.

Under 37 CFR 1.48(a), amendment of the inventorship requires:

- (1) A request to correct the inventorship that sets forth the desired inventorship change;
- (2) A statement from each person being added as an inventor and from each person being deleted as an inventor that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his or her part;
- (3) An oath or declaration by the actual inventor or inventors as required by § 1.63 or as permitted by §§ 1.42, 1.43 or § 1.47;
- (4) The processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i); and
- (5) If an assignment has been executed by any of the original named inventors, the written consent of the assignee (see § 3.73(b) of this chapter).

Applicant's Request satisfies items 1 and 3-5, but not item 2. Item 2 requires a statement from the PERSON BEING ADDED that the error occurred without deceptive intent. The statement submitted by Applicant was made and signed by inventors Masters and Gold, who were previously named, but not Robert C. Arnott, whom Applicant desires to add as an inventor.

For the Request to be approved, Applicant must submit a statement from Robert C. Arnott that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intent on his part.

Decided June 29, 2006, in Alexandria, VA.

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